

B. CLAIM AMENDMENTS

1. (Currently Amended) A method for providing user control over alternative URL direction using a computer having an installed web browser and a block program comprising the steps of :

entering a new URL in the a browser request window;

determining whether there is an exact match for the URL;

responsive to a determination that there is not an exact match for the URL, displaying an invalid URL message and querying the user as to whether the user will accept an alternative URL; and

responsive to a determination that the user will not accept the alternate URL, ~~sending the user to the alternative URI~~ the block program prevents the user from being sent to an alternate web site by the web browser.

2. (Original Claim) The method in claim 1 further comprising, responsive to a determination that the user will not accept the alternative URI, determining whether the user will try a different URL; and responsive to a determination that the user will try the different URL, entering the different URL.

3. (Original Claim) The method in claim 1 further comprising presenting the user with the option of entering another URL after the user has finished with the original URI, and responsive to a determination that the user will try another URL, entering another URL.

4. (Original Claim) The method in claim 1 further comprising presenting the user with the option of entering another URL after the user has finished with the alternative

URL, and responsive to a determination that the user will try another URL, entering another URL.

5. (Currently Amended) A computer implemented process to accomplish searching the internet for a smart domain site comprising:

using a first computer, performing the following series of steps:

powering the first computer;

accessing the internet with the computer;

communicating a URL request in a browser installed on the first computer

by accepting a new URL in a browser request window;

using a block program, determining if there is an exact match for the URL;

and

responsive to a determination that there is not an exact match, displaying the invalid URL message and determining whether the user will accept an alternative site;

wherein responsive to a determination that the user will not accept the alternate URL, the block program prevents the user from being sent to an alternate web site by the web browser.

6. (Currently Amended) A computer readable memory for causing a computer to perform an unwanted ~~reading~~ routing block comprising:

a computer readable storage medium;

a computer program stored in the storage medium; and

the storage medium, so configured by the computer program,
causes the computer to display an invalid URL message whenever the URL does
not exactly match the desired URI, and the computer program prevents the user
from being sent to an alternate web site by the web browser.

For the foregoing reasons, the Applicant submits that the claims of the present application are not fairly taught by any of the references of record, taken either alone or in combination. Therefore, allowance of the present application is in order, and is requested.

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